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(57) Abstract

This invention relates to novel human polynucleotides and variants thereof, their encoded polypeptides and variants thereof, to genes corresponding to these polynucleotides and to proteins expressed by the genes. The invention also relates to diagnostic and therapeutic agents employing such novel human polynucleotides, their corresponding genes or gene products, e.g., these genes and proteins, including probes, antisense constructs, and antibodies.

large numbers of oligodeoxyribonucleotides (oligos)) is described. The method is derived from DNA shuffling (Stemmer, *Nature* (1994) 370:389-391), and does not rely on DNA ligase, but instead relies on DNA polymerase to build increasingly longer DNA fragments during the assembly process.

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Appropriate polynucleotide constructs are purified using standard recombinant DNA techniques as described in, for example, Sambrook et al., Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual, 2nd Ed., (1989) Cold Spring Harbor Press, Cold Spring Harbor, NY, and under current regulations described in United States Dept. of HHS, National Institute of Health (NIH) Guidelines for Recombinant DNA Research. The gene product encoded by a polynucleotide of the invention is expressed in any expression system, including, for example, bacterial, yeast, insect, amphibian and mammalian systems. Suitable vectors and host cells are described in U.S. Patent No. 5,654,173.

Bacteria. Expression systems in bacteria include those described in Chang et al., Nature (1978) 275:615; Goeddel et al., Nature (1979) 281:544; Goeddel et al., Nucleic Acids Res. (1980) 8:4057; EP 0 036,776; U.S. Patent No. 4,551,433; DeBoer et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. (USA) (1983) 80:21-25; and Siebenlist et al., Cell (1980) 20:269.

Yeast. Expression systems in yeast include those described in Hinnen et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. (USA) (1978) 75:1929; Ito et al., J. Bacteriol. (1983) 153:163; Kurtz et al., Mol. Cell. Biol. (1986) 6:142; Kunze et al., J. Basic Microbiol. (1985) 25:141; Gleeson et al., J. Gen. Microbiol. (1986) 132:3459; Roggenkamp et al., Mol. Gen. Genet. (1986) 202:302; Das et al., J. Bacteriol. (1984) 158:1165; De Louvencourt et al., J. Bacteriol. (1983) 154:737; Van den Berg et al., Bio/Technology (1990) 8:135; Kunze et al., J. Basic Microbiol. (1985) 25:141; Cregg et al., Mol. Cell. Biol. (1985) 5:3376; U.S. Patent Nos. 4,837,148 and 4,929,555; Beach and Nurse, Nature (1981) 300:706; Davidow et al., Curr. Genet. (1985) 10:380; Gaillardin et al., Curr. Genet. (1985) 10:49; Ballance et al., Biochem. Biophys. Res. Commun. (1983) 112:284-289; Tilburn et al., Gene (1983) 26:205-221; Yelton et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. (USA) (1984) 81:1470-1474; Kelly and Hynes, EMBO J. (1985) 4:475479; EP 0 244,234; and WO 91/00357.

Insect Cells. Expression of heterologous genes in insects is accomplished as described in U.S. Patent No. 4,745,051; Friesen et al., "The Regulation of Baculovirus Gene Expression", in: *The Molecular Biology Of Baculoviruses* (1986) (W. Doerfler, ed.);

EP 0 127,839; EP 0 155,476; and Vlak et al., J. Gen. Virol. (1988) 69:765-776; Miller et al., Ann. Rev. Microbiol. (1988) 42:177; Carbonell et al., Gene (1988) 73:409; Maeda et al., Nature (1985) 315:592-594; Lebacq-Verheyden et al., Mol. Cell. Biol. (1988) 8:3129; Smith et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. (USA) (1985) 82:8844; Miyajima et al., Gene (1987) 58:273; and Martin et al., DNA (1988) 7:99. Numerous baculoviral strains and variants and corresponding permissive insect host cells from hosts are described in Luckow et al., Bio/Technology (1988) 6:47-55, Miller et al., Generic Engineering (1986) 8:277-279, and Maeda et al., Nature (1985) 315:592-594.

Mammalian Cells. Mammalian expression is accomplished as described in Dijkema et al., EMBO J. (1985) 4:761, Gorman et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. (USA) (1982) 79:6777, Boshart et al., Cell (1985) 41:521 and U.S. Patent No. 4,399,216. Other features of mammalian expression are facilitated as described in Ham and Wallace, Meth. Enz. (1979) 58:44, Barnes and Sato, Anal. Biochem. (1980) 102:255, U.S. Patent Nos. 4,767,704, 4,657,866, 4,927,762, 4,560,655, WO 90/103430, WO 87/00195, and U.S. RE 30,985.

Polynucleotide molecules comprising a polynucleotide sequence provided herein propagated by placing the molecule in a vector. Viral and non-viral vectors are used, including plasmids. The choice of plasmid will depend on the type of cell in which propagation is desired and the purpose of propagation. Certain vectors are useful for amplifying and making large amounts of the desired DNA sequence. Other vectors are suitable for expression in cells in culture. Still other vectors are suitable for transfer and expression in cells in a whole animal or person. The choice of appropriate vector is well within the skill of the art. Many such vectors are available commercially. The partial or full-length polynucleotide is inserted into a vector typically by means of DNA ligase attachment to a cleaved restriction enzyme site in the vector. Alternatively, the desired nucleotide sequence can be inserted by homologous recombination in vivo. Typically this is accomplished by attaching regions of homology to the vector on the flanks of the desired nucleotide sequence. Regions of homology are added by ligation of oligonucleotides, or by polymerase chain reaction using primers comprising both the region of homology and a portion of the desired nucleotide sequence, for example.

skill in the art, including those described in 5,242,974; 5,384,261; 5,405,783; 5,412,087; 5,424,186; 5,429,807; 5,436,327; 5,445,934; 5,472,672; 5,527,681; 5,529,756; 5,545,531; 5,554,501; 5,556,752; 5,561,071; 5,599,895; 5,624,711; 5,639,603; 5,658,734; WO 93/17126; WO 95/11995; WO 95/35505; EP 742287; and EP 799897. The arrays of the subject invention find use in a variety of applications, including gene expression analysis, drug screening, mutation analysis and the like, as disclosed in the above-listed exemplary patent documents.

In addition to the above nucleic acid libraries, analogous libraries of polypeptides are also provided, where the where the polypeptides of the library will represent at least a portion of the polypeptides encoded by "SEQ ID NOS:1-5252."

VII. <u>Utilities</u>

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A. <u>Use of Polynucleotide Probes in Mapping, and in Tissue Profiling</u>

Polynucleotide probes, generally comprising at least 12 contiguous nucleotides of a polynucleotide as shown in the Sequence Listing, are used for a variety of purposes, such as chromosome mapping of the polynucleotide and detection of transcription levels. Additional disclosure about preferred regions of the disclosed polynucleotide sequences is found in the Examples. A probe that hybridizes specifically to a polynucleotide disclosed herein should provide a detection signal at least 5-, 10-, or 20-fold higher than the background hybridization provided with other unrelated sequences.

Probes in Detection of Expression Levels. Nucleotide probes are used to detect expression of a gene corresponding to the provided polynucleotide. In Northern blots, mRNA is separated electrophoretically and contacted with a probe. A probe is detected as hybridizing to an mRNA species of a particular size. The amount of hybridization is quantitated to determine relative amounts of expression, for example under a particular condition. Probes are used for in situ hybridization to cells to detect expression. Probes can also be used *in vivo* for diagnostic detection of hybridizing sequences. Probes are typically labeled with a radioactive isotope. Other types of detectable labels can be used such as chromophores, fluors, and enzymes. Other examples of nucleotide hybridization assays are described in WO92/02526 and U.S. Patent No. 5,124,246.

et al., Methods in Molecular Biology (1997) 68:1, Boultwood, ed., Human Press, Totowa, NJ.

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Polynucleotides are mapped to particular chromosomes using, for example, radiation hybrids or chromosome-specific hybrid panels. See Leach et al., Advances in Genetics, (1995) 33:63-99; Walter et al., Nature Genetics (1994) 7:22; Walter and Goodfellow, Trends in Genetics (1992) 9:352. Panels for radiation hybrid mapping are available from Research Genetics, Inc., Huntsville, Alabama, USA. Databases for markers using various panels are available via the world wide web at http://f/shgc-www.stanford.edu; and http://www-genome.wi.mit.edu/cgi-bin/contig/rhmapper.pl. The statistical program RHMAP can be used to construct a map based on the data from radiation hybridization with a measure of the relative likelihood of one order versus another. RHMAP is available via the world wide web at http://www.sph.umich.edu/group/statgen/software.

In addition, commercial programs are available for identifying regions of chromosomes commonly associated with disease, such as cancer. Polynucleotides based on the polynucleotides of the invention can be used to probe these regions. For example, if through profile searching a provided polynucleotide is identified as corresponding to a gene encoding a kinase, its ability to bind to a cancer-related chromosomal region will suggest its role as a kinase in one or more stages of tumor cell development/growth. Although some experimentation would be required to elucidate the role, the polynucleotide constitutes a new material for isolating a specific protein that has potential for developing a cancer diagnostic or therapeutic.

<u>Tissue Typing or Profiling.</u> Expression of specific mRNA corresponding to the provided polynucleotides can vary in different cell types and can be tissue-specific. This variation of mRNA levels in different cell types can be exploited with nucleic acid probe assays to determine tissue types. For example, PCR, branched DNA probe assays, or blotting techniques utilizing nucleic acid probes substantially identical or complementary to polynucleotides listed in the Sequence Listing can determine the presence or absence of the corresponding cDNA or mRNA.

For example, a metastatic lesion is identified by its developmental organ or tissue source by identifying the expression of a particular marker of that organ or tissue. If a

polynucleotide is expressed only in a specific tissue type, and a metastatic lesion is found to express that polynucleotide, then the developmental source of the lesion has been identified. Expression of a particular polynucleotide is assayed by detection of either the corresponding mRNA or the protein product. Immunological methods, such as antibody staining, are used to detect a particular protein product. Hybridization methods can be used to detect particular mRNA species, including but not limited to in situ hybridization and Northern blotting.

Use of Polymorphisms. A polynucleotide of the invention will be useful in forensics, genetic analysis, mapping, and diagnostic applications if the corresponding region of a gene is polymorphic in the human population. Particular polymorphic forms of the provided polynucleotides can be used to either identify a sample as deriving from a suspect or rule out the possibility that the sample derives from the suspect. Any means for detecting a polymorphism in a gene are used, including but not limited to electrophoresis of protein polymorphic variants, differential sensitivity to restriction enzyme cleavage, and hybridization to allele-specific probes.

B. Antibody Production

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Expression products of a polynucleotide of the invention, the corresponding mRNA or cDNA, or the corresponding complete gene are prepared and used for raising antibodies for experimental, diagnostic, and therapeutic purposes. For polynucleotides to which a corresponding gene has not been assigned, this provides an additional method of identifying the corresponding gene. The polynucleotide or related cDNA is expressed as described above, and antibodies are prepared. These antibodies are specific to an epitope on the polypeptide encoded by the polynucleotide, and can precipitate or bind to the corresponding native protein in a cell or tissue preparation or in a cell-free extract of an in vitro expression system.

Immunogens for raising antibodies are prepared by mixing the polypeptides encoded by the polynucleotides of the present invention with adjuvants. Alternatively, polypeptides are made as fusion proteins to larger immunogenic proteins. Polypeptides are also covalently linked to other larger immunogenic proteins, such as keyhole limpet hemocyanin. Immunogens are typically administered intradermally, subcutaneously, or intramuscularly. Immunogens are administered to experimental animals such as rabbits,

In addition to the antibodies discussed above, genetically engineered antibody derivatives are made, such as single chain antibodies, according to methods well known in the art.

C. <u>Use of Polynucleotides to Construct Arrays for Diagnostics</u>

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Polynucleotide arrays provide a high throughput technique that can assay a large number of polynucleotide sequences in a sample. This technology can be used as a diagnostic and as a tool to test for differential expression to determine function of an encoded protein. Arrays can be created by spotting polynucleotide probes onto a substrate (e.g., glass, nitrocelllose, etc.) in a two-dimensional matrix or array having bound probes. The probes can be bound to the substrate by either covalent bonds or by non-specific interactions, such as hydrophobic interactions. Samples of polynucleotides can be detectably labeled (e.g., using radioactive or fluorescent labels) and then hybridized to the probes. Double stranded polynucleotides, comprising the labeled sample polynucleotides bound to probe polynucleotides, can be detected once the unbound portion of the sample is washed away. Techniques for constructing arrays and methods of using these arrays are described in EP No. 0 799 897; PCT No. WO 97/29212; PCT No. WO 97/27317; EP No. 0 785 280; PCT No. WO 97/02357; U.S. Pat. No. 5,593,839; U.S. Pat. No. 5,578,832; EP No. 0 728 520; U.S. Pat. No. 5,599,695; EP No. 0 721 016; U.S. Pat. No. 5,556,752; PCT No. WO 95/22058; and U.S. Pat. No. 5,631,734.

As discussed in some detail above, arrays can be used to examine differential expression of genes and can be used to determine gene function. For example, arrays of the instant polynucleotide sequences can be used to determine if any of the provided polynucleotides are differentially expressed between a test cell and control cell (e.g., cancer cells and normal cells). For example, high expression of a particular message in a cancer cell, which is not observed in a corresponding normal cell, can indicate a cancer specific protein. Exemplary uses of arrays are further described in, for example, Pappalarado et al., Sem. Radiation Oncol. (1998) 8:217; and Ramsay Nature Biotechnol. (1998) 16:40.

D. <u>Differential Expression</u>

The polynucleotides of the invention can also be used to detect differences in expression levels between two cells, e.g., as a method to identify abnormal or diseased tissue in a human. For polynucleotides corresponding to profiles of protein families, the

to, amniotic fluid, chorionic villi, blood, and the blastomere of an in vitro-fertilized embryo. The comparable normal polynucleotide-related gene is obtained from any tissue. The mRNA or protein is obtained from a normal tissue of a human in which the polynucleotide-related gene is expressed. Differences such as alterations in the nucleotide sequence or size of the same product of the fetal polynucleotide-related gene or mRNA, or alterations in the molecular weight, amino acid sequence, or relative abundance of fetal protein, can indicate a germline mutation in the polynucleotide-related gene of the fetus, which indicates a genetic predisposition to disease. Particular diagnostic and prognostic uses of the disclosed polynucleotides are described in more detail below.

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E. Diagnostic, Prognostic, and Other Uses Based On Differential Expression

In general, diagnostic methods of the invention for involve detection of a level or amount of a gene product, particularly a differentially expressed gene product, in a test sample obtained from a patient suspected of having or being susceptible to a disease (e.g., breast cancer, lung cancer, colon cancer and/or metastatic forms thereof), and comparing the detected levels to those levels found in normal cells (e.g., cells substantially unaffected by cancer) and/or other control cells (e.g., to differentiate a cancerous cell from a cell affected by dysplasia). Furthermore, the severity of the disease can be assessed by comparing the detected levels of a differentially expressed gene product with those levels detected in samples representing the levels of differentially gene product associated with varying degrees of severity of disease.

The term "differentially expressed gene" is intended to encompass a polynucleotide that can, for example, include an open reading frame encoding a gene product (e.g., a polypeptide), and/or introns of such genes and adjacent 5' and 3' non-coding nucleotide sequences involved in the regulation of expression, up to about 20 kb beyond the coding region, but possibly further in either direction. The gene can be introduced into an appropriate vector for extrachromosomal maintenance or for integration into a host genome. In general, a difference in expression level associated with a decrease in expression level of at least about 25%, usually at least about 50% to 75%, more usually at least about 90% or more is indicative of a differentially expressed gene of interest, i.e., a gene that is underexpressed or down-regulated in the test sample relative to a control sample. Furthermore, a difference in expression level associated with an increase in

expression of at least about 25%, usually at least about 50% to 75%, more usually at least about 90% and can be at least about 1½-fold, usually at least about 2-fold to about 10-fold, and can be about 100-fold to about 1,000-fold increase relative to a control sample is indicative of a differentially expressed gene of interest, *i.e.*, an overexpressed or upregulated gene.

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"Differentially expressed polynucleotide" as used herein means a nucleic acid molecule (RNA or DNA) having a sequence that represents a differentially expressed gene, e.g., the differentially expressed polynucleotide comprises a sequence (e.g., an open reading frame encoding a gene product) that uniquely identifies a differentially expressed gene so that detection of the differentially expressed polynucleotide in a sample is correlated with the presence of a differentially expressed gene in a sample. "Differentially expressed polynucleotides" is also meant to encompass fragments of the disclosed polynucleotides, e.g., fragments retaining biological activity, as well as nucleic acids homologous, substantially similar, or substantially identical (e.g., having about 90% sequence identity) to the disclosed polynucleotides.

Methods of the subject invention useful in diagnosis or prognosis typically involve comparison of the abundance of a selected differentially expressed gene product in a sample of interest with that of a control to determine any relative differences in the expression of the gene product, where the difference can be measured qualitatively and/or quantitatively. Quantitation can be accomplished, for example, by comparing the level of expression product detected in the sample with the amounts of product present in a standard curve. A comparison can be made visually; by using a technique such as densitometry, with or without computerized assistance; by preparing a representative library of cDNA clones of mRNA isolated from a test sample, sequencing the clones in the library to determine that number of cDNA clones corresponding to the same gene product, and analyzing the number of clones corresponding to that same gene product relative to the number of clones of the same gene product in a control sample; or by using an array to detect relative levels of hybridization to a selected sequence or set of sequences, and comparing the hybridization pattern to that of a control. The differences in expression are then correlated with the presence or absence of an abnormal expression pattern. A variety of different methods for determining the nucleic acid abundance in a sample are known to

Any of a variety of detectable labels can be used in connection with the various embodiments of the diagnostic methods of the invention. Suitable detectable labels include fluorochromes, (e.g. fluorescein isothiocyanate (FITC), rhodamine, Texas Red, phycoerythrin, allophycocyanin, 6-carboxyfluorescein (6-FAM), 2',7'-dimethoxy-4',5'-dichloro-6-carboxyfluorescein, 6-carboxy-X-rhodamine (ROX), 6-carboxy-2',4',7',4,7-hexachlorofluorescein (HEX), 5-carboxyfluorescein (5-FAM) or N,N,N',N'-tetramethyl-6-carboxyrhodamine (TAMRA)), radioactive labels, (e.g. ³²P, ³⁵S, ³H, etc.), and the like. The detectable label can involve a two stage systems (e.g., biotin-avidin, hapten-anti-hapten antibody, etc.)

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Reagents specific for the polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention, such as antibodies and nucleotide probes, can be supplied in a kit for detecting the presence of an expression product in a biological sample. The kit can also contain buffers or labeling components, as well as instructions for using the reagents to detect and quantify expression products in the biological sample. Exemplary embodiments of the diagnostic methods of the invention are described below in more detail.

Polypeptide detection in diagnosis. In one embodiment, the test sample is assayed for the level of a differentially expressed polypeptide. Diagnosis can be accomplished using any of a number of methods to determine the absence or presence or altered amounts of the differentially expressed polypeptide in the test sample. For example, detection can utilize staining of cells or histological sections with labeled antibodies, performed in accordance with conventional methods. Cells can be permeabilized to stain cytoplasmic molecules. In general, antibodies that specifically bind a differentially expressed polypeptide of the invention are added to a sample, and incubated for a period of time sufficient to allow binding to the epitope, usually at least about 10 minutes. The antibody can be detectably labeled for direct detection (e.g., using radioisotopes, enzymes, fluorescers, chemiluminescers, and the like), or can be used in conjunction with a second stage antibody or reagent to detect binding (e.g., biotin with horseradish peroxidaseconjugated avidin, a secondary antibody conjugated to a fluorescent compound, e.g. fluorescein, rhodamine, Texas red, etc.). The absence or presence of antibody binding can be determined by various methods, including flow cytometry of dissociated cells, microscopy, radiography, scintillation counting, etc. Any suitable alternative methods can

of qualitative or quantitative detection of levels or amounts of differentially expressed polypeptide can be used, for example ELISA, western blot, immunoprecipitation, radioimmunoassay, etc.

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In general, the detected level of differentially expressed polypeptide in the test sample is compared to a level of the differentially expressed gene product in a reference or control sample, e.g., in a normal cell (negative control) or in a cell having a known disease state (positive control).

mRNA detection. The diagnostic methods of the invention can also or alternatively involve detection of mRNA encoded by a gene corresponding to a differentially expressed polynucleotides of the invention. Any suitable qualitative or quantitative methods known in the art for detecting specific mRNAs can be used. mRNA can be detected by, for example, in situ hybridization in tissue sections, by reverse transcriptase-PCR, or in Northern blots containing poly A+ mRNA. One of skill in the art can readily use these methods to determine differences in the size or amount of mRNA transcripts between two samples. For example, the level of mRNA of the invention in a tissue sample suspected of being cancerous or dysplastic is compared with the expression of the mRNA in a reference sample, e.g., a positive or negative control sample (e.g., normal tissue, cancerous tissue, etc.).

Any suitable method for detecting and comparing mRNA expression levels in a sample can be used in connection with the diagnostic methods of the invention (see, e.g., U.S. 5,804,382). For example, mRNA expression levels in a sample can be determined by generation of a library of expressed sequence tags (ESTs) from the sample, where the EST library is representative of sequences present in the sample (Adams, et al., (1991) Science 252:1651). Enumeration of the relative representation of ESTs within the library can be used to approximate the relative representation of the gene transcript within the starting sample. The results of EST analysis of a test sample can then be compared to EST analysis of a reference sample to determine the relative expression levels of a selected polynucleotide, particularly a polynucleotide corresponding to one or more of the differentially expressed genes described herein.

Alternatively, gene expression in a test sample can be performed using serial analysis of gene expression (SAGE) methodology (Velculescu et al., Science (1995)

Use of a single gene in diagnostic applications. The diagnostic methods of the invention can focus on the expression of a single differentially expressed gene. For example, the diagnostic method can involve detecting a differentially expressed gene, or a polymorphism of such a gene (e.g., a polymorphism in an coding region or control region), that is associated with disease. Disease-associated polymorphisms can include deletion or truncation of the gene, mutations that alter expression level and/or affect activity of the cncoded protein, etc.

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Changes in the promoter or enhancer sequence that affect expression levels of an differentially gene can be compared to expression levels of the normal allele by various methods known in the art. Methods for determining promoter or enhancer strength include quantitation of the expressed natural protein; insertion of the variant control element into a vector with a reporter gene such as β -galactosidase, luciferase, chloramphenicol acetyltransferase, etc. that provides for convenient quantitation; and the like.

A number of methods are available for analyzing nucleic acids for the presence of a specific sequence, e.g. a disease associated polymorphism. Where large amounts of DNA are available, genomic DNA is used directly. Alternatively, the region of interest is cloned into a suitable vector and grown in sufficient quantity for analysis. Cells that express a differentially expressed gene can be used as a source of mRNA, which can be assayed directly or reverse transcribed into cDNA for analysis. The nucleic acid can be amplified by conventional techniques, such as the polymerase chain reaction (PCR), to provide sufficient amounts for analysis, and a detectable label can be included in the amplification reaction (e.g., using a detectably labeled primer or detectably labeled oligonucleotides) to facilitate detection. The use of the polymerase chain reaction is described in Saiki, et al., Science (1985) 239:487, and a review of techniques can be found in Sambrook, et al., Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual, (1989) pp. 14.2. Alternatively, various methods are known in the art that utilize oligonucleotide ligation as a means of detecting polymorphisms, for examples see Riley et al., Nucl. Acids Res. (1990) 18:2887; and Delahunty et al., Am. J. Hum. Genet. (1996) 58:1239.

The sample nucleic acid, e.g. amplified or cloned fragment, is analyzed by one of a number of methods known in the art. The nucleic acid can be sequenced by dideoxy or other methods, and the sequence of bases compared to a selected sequence, e.g., to a wild-

breast tissue, to discriminate between breast cancers with different cells of origin, to discriminate between breast cancers with different potential metastatic rates, etc.

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G. <u>Use of Polynucleotides to Screen for Peptide Analogs and Antagonists</u>

Polypeptides encoded by the instant polynucleotides and corresponding full length genes can be used to screen peptide libraries to identify binding partners, such as receptors, from among the encoded polypeptides.

A library of peptides can be synthesized following the methods disclosed in U.S. Pat. No. 5,010,175 ('175), and in WO 91/17823. As described below in brief, one prepares a mixture of peptides, which is then screened to identify the peptides exhibiting the desired signal transduction and receptor binding activity. In the '175 method, a suitable peptide synthesis support (e.g., a resin) is coupled to a mixture of appropriately protected, activated amino acids. The concentration of each amino acid in the reaction mixture is balanced or adjusted in inverse proportion to its coupling reaction rate so that the product is an equimolar mixture of amino acids coupled to the starting resin. The bound amino acids are then deprotected, and reacted with another balanced amino acid mixture to form an equimolar mixture of all possible dipeptides. This process is repeated until a mixture of peptides of the desired length (e.g., hexamers) is formed. Note that one need not include all amino acids in each step: one can include only one or two amino acids in some steps (e.g., where it is known that a particular amino acid is essential in a given position), thus reducing the complexity of the mixture. After the synthesis of the peptide library is completed, the mixture of peptides is screened for binding to the selected polypeptide. The peptides are then tested for their ability to inhibit or enhance activity. Peptides exhibiting the desired activity are then isolated and sequenced.

The method described in WO 91/17823 is similar. However, instead of reacting the synthesis resin with a mixture of activated amino acids, the resin is divided into twenty equal portions (or into a number of portions corresponding to the number of different amino acids to be added in that step), and each amino acid is coupled individually to its portion of resin. The resin portions are then combined, mixed, and again divided into a number of equal portions for reaction with the second amino acid. In this manner, each reaction can be easily driven to completion. Additionally, one can maintain separate "subpools" by treating portions in parallel, rather than combining all resins at each step.

This simplifies the process of determining which peptides are responsible for any observed receptor binding or signal transduction activity.

In such cases, the subpools containing, e.g., 1-2,000 candidates each are exposed to one or more polypeptides of the invention. Each subpool that produces a positive result is then resynthesized as a group of smaller subpools (sub-subpools) containing, e.g., 20-100 candidates, and reassayed. Positive sub-subpools can be resynthesized as individual compounds, and assayed finally to determine the peptides that exhibit a high binding constant. These peptides can be tested for their ability to inhibit or enhance the native activity. The methods described in WO 91/7823 and U.S. Patent No. 5,194,392 (herein incorporated by reference) enable the preparation of such pools and subpools by automated techniques in parallel, such that all synthesis and resynthesis can be performed in a matter of days.

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Peptide agonists or antagonists are screened using any available method, such as signal transduction, antibody binding, receptor binding, mitogenic assays, chemotaxis assays, etc. The methods described herein are presently preferred. The assay conditions ideally should resemble the conditions under which the native activity is exhibited *in vivo*, that is, under physiologic pH, temperature, and ionic strength. Suitable agonists or antagonists will exhibit strong inhibition or enhancement of the native activity at concentrations that do not cause toxic side effects in the subject. Agonists or antagonists that compete for binding to the native polypeptide can require concentrations equal to or greater than the native concentration, while inhibitors capable of binding irreversibly to the polypeptide can be added in concentrations on the order of the native concentration.

The end results of such screening and experimentation will be at least one novel polypeptide binding partner, such as a receptor, encoded by a gene or a cDNA corresponding to a polynucleotide of the invention, and at least one peptide agonist or antagonist of the novel binding partner. Such agonists and antagonists can be used to modulate, enhance, or inhibit receptor function in cells to which the receptor is native, or in cells that possess the receptor as a result of genetic engineering. Further, if the novel receptor shares biologically important characteristics with a known receptor, information about agonist/antagonist binding can facilitate development of improved agonists/antagonists of the known receptor.

H. Pharmaceutical Compositions and Therapeutic Uses

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Pharmaceutical compositions can comprise polypeptides, antibodies, or polynucleotides of the claimed invention. The pharmaceutical compositions will comprise a therapeutically effective amount of either polypeptides, antibodies, or polynucleotides of the claimed invention.

The term "therapeutically effective amount" as used herein refers to an amount of a therapeutic agent to treat, ameliorate, or prevent a desired disease or condition, or to exhibit a detectable therapeutic or preventative effect. The effect can be detected by, for example, chemical markers or antigen levels. Therapeutic effects also include reduction in physical symptoms, such as decreased body temperature. The precise effective amount for a subject will depend upon the subject's size and health, the nature and extent of the condition, and the therapeutics or combination of therapeutics selected for administration. Thus, it is not useful to specify an exact effective amount in advance. However, the effective amount for a given situation is determined by routine experimentation and is within the judgment of the clinician. For purposes of the present invention, an effective dose will generally be from about 0.01 mg/kg to 50 mg/kg or 0.05 mg/kg to about 10 mg/kg of the DNA constructs in the individual to which it is administered.

A pharmaceutical composition can also contain a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier. The term "pharmaceutically acceptable carrier" refers to a carrier for administration of a therapeutic agent, such as antibodies or a polypeptide, genes, and other therapeutic agents. The term refers to any pharmaceutical carrier that does not itself induce the production of antibodies harmful to the individual receiving the composition, and which can be administered without undue toxicity. Suitable carriers can be large, slowly metabolized macromolecules such as proteins, polysaccharides, polylactic acids, polyglycolic acids, polymeric amino acids, amino acid copolymers, and inactive virus particles. Such carriers are well known to those of ordinary skill in the art.

Pharmaceutically acceptable salts can be used therein, for example, mineral acid salts such as hydrochlorides, hydrobromides, phosphates, sulfates, and the like; and the salts of organic acids such as acetates, propionates, malonates, benzoates, and the like. A thorough discussion of pharmaceutically acceptable excipients is available in *Remington's Pharmaceutical Sciences* (Mack Pub. Co., N.J. 1991).

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We Claim:

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1. A library of polynucleotides, the library comprising the sequence information of at least one of SEQ ID NOS:1-3544, 3546-4510, 4512-4725, 4727-4748, and 4750-5252.

- 2. The library of claim 1, wherein the library is provided on a nucleic acid array.
- 3. The library of claim 1, wherein the library is provided in a computer-readable format.
- 4. The library of claim 1, wherein the library comprises a differentially expressed polynucleotide comprising a sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOS:65, 174, 203, 252, 253, 387, 419, 420, 491, 552, 560, 581, 590, 648, 693, 726, 746, 990, 1095, 1124, 1205, 1354, 1387, 1780, 1899, 1915, 1979, 2007, 2024, 2245, and 2325.
- 5. The library of claim 1, wherein the library comprises a polynucleotide differentially expressed in a human breast cancer cell, where the polynucleotide comprises a sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOS:15, 36, 44, 45, 89, 146, 154, 159, 165, 174, 172, 183, 203, 261, 364, 366, 387, 419, 420, 496, 503, 510, 512, 529, 552, 560, 564, 570, 590, 606, 644, 646, 693, 707, 711, 726, 746, 754, 756, 875, 902, 921, 942, 990, 1095, 1104, 1122, 1131, 1142, 1170, 1184, 1205, 1286, 1289, 1354, 1387, 1435, 1535, 1751, 1764, 1777, 1795, 1860, 1869, 1882, 1890, 1915, 1933, 1934, 1979, 1980, 2007, 2023, 2040, 2059, 2223, 2245, 2300, 2325, 2409, 2462, 2486, 2488, and 2492.
- 6. The library of claim 1, wherein the library comprises a polynucleotide differentially expressed in a human colon cancer cell, where the polynucleotide comprises a sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOS:33, 65, 228, 250, 252, 253, 280, 282, 355, 370, 387, 443, 460, 491, 545, 560, 581, 603, 680, 693, 703, 704, 716, 726, 746, 752, 753, 1095, 1104, 1205, 1241, 1264, 1354, 1387, 1401, 1442, 1514, 1734, 1742, 1780, 1851, 1899, 1915, 1954, 2024, 2066, 2262, and 2325.

7. The library of claim 1, wherein the library comprises a polynucleotide differentially expressed in a human lung cancer cell, where the polynucleotide comprises a sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOS: 10, 54, 65, 171, 174, 203, 252, 253, 254, 285, 419, 420, 466, 491, 525, 526, 552, 571, 574, 590, 693, 700, 726, 742, 746, 861, 990, 922, 1088, 1288, 1355, 1417, 1422, 1444, 1454, 1570, 1597, 1979, 2007, 2024, 2034, 2038, 2126, and 2245.

8. The library of claim 1, wherein the library comprises a polynucleotide differentially expressed in a human cancer cell, where the polynucleotide comprises a sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOS:648 and 1899.

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9. An isolated polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence having at least 90% sequence identity to an identifying sequence of SEQ ID NOS:1-3544, 3546-4510, 4512-4725, 4727-4748, and 4750-5252, or a degenerate variant or fragment thereof.

15 10. The polynucleotide of claim 9, wherein the polynucleotide comprises a sequence of one of SEQ ID NOS:2503, 2504, 2550, 2555, 2578, 2656, 2667, 2712, 2723, 2728, 2738, 2734, 2754, 2758, 2760, 2832, 2835, 2842, 2843, 2849, 2893, 2933, 2956, 2971, 2981, 3009, 3018, 3019, 3046, 3084, 3190, 3129, 3173, 3226, 3227, 3274, 3290, 3356, 3365, 3377, 3381, 3390, 3391, 3404, 3407, 3408, 3409, 3418, 3419, 3451, 3597, 20 3600, 3618, 3632, 3635, 3646, 3648, 3657, 3665, 3669, 3670, 3671, 3656, 3680, 3686, 3695, 3696, 3700, 3710, 3736, 3762, 3763, 3774, 3775, 3791, 3804, 3806, 3836, 3895, 3905, 3919, 3920, 3927, 3936, 3951, 3974, 3998, 4036, 4038, 4044, 4056, 4072, 4117, 4119, 4152, 4153, 4154, 4172, 4175, 4159, 4175, 4205, 4216, 4223, 4228, 4238, 4241, 4243, 4251, 4253, 4261, 4263, 4278, 4288, 4322, 4330, 4343, 4359, 4363, 4364, 4365, 25 4373, 4375, 4384, 4385, 4406, 4409, 4431, 4434, 4441, 4442, 4444, 4455, 4469, 4473, 4477, 4482, 4489, 4495, 4496, 4498, 4525, 4535, 4536, 4540, 4560, 4616, 4562, 4586, 4605, 4629, 4653, 4654, 4658, 4659, 4660, 4661, 4664, 4665, 4668, 4684, 4682, 4688, 4689, 4710, 4718, 4733, 4724, 4733, 4746, 4755, 4760, 4710, 4777, 4785, 4792, 4794, 4801, 4807, 4821, 4822, 4847, 4850, 4854, 4856, 4866, 4885, 4900, 4901, 4905, 4914, 30 4925, 4929, 4931, 4943, 4944, 4959, 5111, 5020, 5041, 5046, 5059, 5083, 5090, 5094, 5102, 5125, 5174, 5197, 5208, 5217, 5237, 5239, 5241, 5243, 5248, and 5252.

11. A recombinant host cell containing the polynucleotide of claim 9.

- 12. An isolated polypeptide encoded by the polynucleotide of claim 9.
- 5 13. An antibody that specifically binds a polypeptide of claim 12.
 - 14. A vector comprising the polynucleotide of claim 9.

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- - 16. A method of detecting differentially expressed genes correlated with a cancerous state of a mammalian cell, the method comprising the step of:

detecting at least one differentially expressed gene product in a test sample derived from a cell suspected of being cancerous, where the gene product is encoded by a gene corresponding to a sequence of at least one of SEQ ID NOS:10, 15, 33, 36, 44, 45, 54, 65, 89, 146, 154, 159, 165, 171, 172, 174, 183, 203, 228, 250, 252, 253, 254, 261, 280, 282, 285, 355, 364, 366, 370, 387, 419, 420, 443, 460, 466, 491, 496, 503, 510, 512, 525, 526, 529, 545, 552, 560, 564, 570, 571, 574, 581, 590, 603, 606, 644, 646, 648, 680, 693, 700, 703, 704, 707, 711, 716, 726, 742, 746, 752, 753, 754, 756, 861, 875, 902, 921, 922, 942, 990, 1088, 1095, 1104, 1122, 1131, 1142, 1170, 1184, 1205, 1286, 1288, 1289, 1354, 1355, 1387, 1417, 1435, 1444, 1454, 1535, 1570, 1597, 1734, 1742, 1751, 1764, 1777, 1780, 1795, 1860, 1869, 1882, 1890, 1899, 1915, 1933, 1934, 1954, 1979, 1980, 2007, 2023, 2024, 2034, 2040, 2059, 2126, 2223, 2245, 2262, 2300, 2325, 2409, 2486, 2462, 2488, 2492, 1241, 1264, 1401, 1422, 1442, 1514, 1851, 1915, 2007, 2024, 2038, 2066, and 2245;

wherein detection of the differentially expressed gene product is correlated with a cancerous state of the cell from which the test sample was derived.

17. The method of claim 16, wherein said detecting step is by hybridization of the test sample to a reference array, wherein the reference array comprises an identifying sequence of at least one of SEQ ID NOS: 65, 174, 203, 252, 253, 387, 419, 420, 491, 552,

560, 581, 590, 648, 693, 726, 746, 990, 1095, 1124, 1205, 1354, 1387, 1780, 1899, 1915, 1979, 2007, 2024, 2325, and 2245.

- 18. The method of claim 16, wherein the cell is a breast tissue derived cell, and the differentially expressed gene product is encoded by a gene corresponding to a sequence of at least one of SEQ ID NOS:36, 44, 45, 89, 146, 154, 159, 165, 172, 174, 183, 203, 261, 364, 366, 387, 419, 420, 496, 503, 510, 512, 529, 552, 560,564, 570, 590, 606, 644, 646, 693, 707, 711, 726, 746, 754, 756, 875, 902, 921, 942, 990, 1095, 1104, 1122, 1131, 1142, 1170, 1184, 1205, 1286, 1289, 1354, 1387, 1435, 1535, 1751, 1764, 1777, 1795, 1860, 1869, 1882, 1890, 1915, 1933, 1934, 1979, 1980, 2007, 2023, 2040, 2059, 2223, 2245, 2300, 2325, 2409, 2462, 2486, 2488, and 2492.
 - 19. The method of claim 16, wherein the cell is a colon tissue derived cell, and the differentially expressed gene product is encoded by a gene corresponding to a sequence of at least one of SEQ ID NOS:33, 65, 228, 250, 252, 253, 280, 282, 355, 370, 387, 443, 460, 491, 545, 560, 581, 603, 680, 693, 703, 704, 716, 726, 746, 752, 753, 1095, 1104, 1205, 1241, 1264, 1354, 1387, 1401, 1442, 1514, 1734, 1742, 1780, 1851, 1899, 1915, 1954, 2024, 2066, 2262, and 2325.

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- 20. The method of claim 16, wherein the cell is a lung tissue derived cell, and the differentially expressed gene product is encoded by a gene corresponding to a sequence of at least one of SEQ ID NOS: 10, 54, 65, 171, 174, 203, 252, 253, 254, 285, 419, 420, 466, 491, 525, 526, 552, 571, 574, 590, 693, 700, 726, 742, 746, 861, 922, 990, 1088, 1288, 1355, 1417, 1422, 1444, 1454, 1570, 1597, 1979, 2007, 2024, 2034, 2038, 2126, and 2245.
 - 21. The method of claim 16, wherein the differentially expressed gene product is encoded by a gene corresponding to a sequence of at least one of SEQ ID NOS:648 and 1899.

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